

### In the Specification

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 4 with the following replacement paragraph.

-- For example, conventional desktop card printers often are used in conjunction with personal computers ~~desktop card printers~~, in order to control the printers and provide a convenient vehicle for users to enter the data that is to be written on the cards. Computers used in such a role sometimes are referred to as "host" machines. In order for a host and a desktop card printer to communicate, they must have some common language.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 20 with the following replacement paragraph.

-- In addition, conventional desktop card printers require much of the image handling work to be performed by the host computer. For example, if a photograph is provided to a conventional desktop printer, the host must instruct ~~instructed~~ the printer whether the image itself is color or black and white, which print ribbon(s) should be used if the printer has the capability to print in multiple modes, etc. A single printing may require many such decisions.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 12, line 17 with the following replacement paragraph.

-- The controller 14 controls the data output of the data writers 16, and hence controls what data eventually is deposited on ~~or~~ a ~~the~~ card passing through the printer 10. As noted above, the controller 14 is in communication with the external communication link 12, so that data may in turn be provided to the controller 14.--